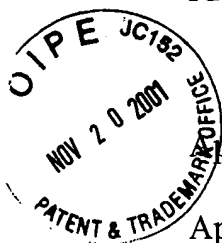


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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, the Applicants hereby call the following documents to the Examiner's attention:

U.S. Patent No. 6,229,884 to TOYODA et al., entitled "Electronic Mail Apparatus", which issued on May 8, 2001; and

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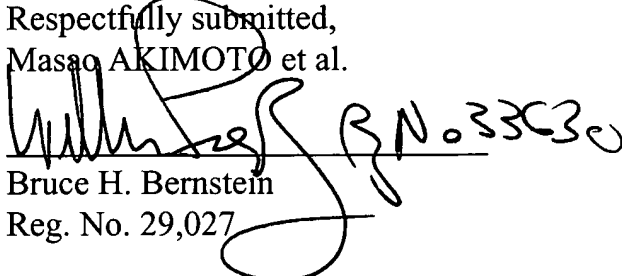
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the Applicants with the next official communication in the present application to confirm consideration of these documents.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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